

Level 5 Principles of Commissioning for Wellbeing qualification – funding support options 2023/24

Principles of Commissioning for Wellbeing is an excellent level 5 qualification for people interested in commissioning for a meaningful life, not just a service. It includes co-production approaches and commissioning for outcomes as well as legislation and market shaping.

The qualification is suitable for new and experienced people working in social care and health, in either children's or adults' services.

There is a generic version of the qualification and a version which has been contextualised to commissioning of learning disability or autism care and support. These are run as separate cohorts by the learning providers.

NHS employee (adults' and children's commissioning)

Commissioning for wellbeing (generic)

Currently no additional funding options via Skills for Care

Commissioning for wellbeing (learning disability & autism)

Currently the **full cost** of the qualification is met through NHSE/I funding.

This is paid upfront directly to the learning provider by Skills for Care.

Social care employee (adult or all-age services)

There are currently 2 potential options to access funding towards the cost of the qualification

For the generic and learning disability and autism versions, it may be possible to apply for retrospective funding (on receipt of completion certificate) for **£1,300** towards the cost of the qualification from the **Workforce Development Fund (WDF)**.

Please refer to the [WDF web page](#) for more information, as action would be required in advance of completing the qualification.

Learners accessing the generic version can potentially access **£700** towards the cost of the qualification from Skills for Care (subject to availability of funding from DHSC).

Currently this is not available to learners accessing the learning disability and autism version.

PLEASE NOTE: all funding support options are dependent on the learner completing the qualification. If a learner leaves the course early and fails to complete, their employer will be liable for the full cost of the qualification.